OB WEEKLY NEWS

Happy Winter Break!

Thank you to the generosity of our OB families this holiday season from the entire staff at Old Bonhomme, we hope you all enjoy your winter break and the time together with your family. We will see you all back in the New Year!

MLK Collection for Day of Service

Dear Old Bonhomme families,

Old Bonhomme Elementary has a long standing tradition of participating in a Day of Service on Martin Luther King Jr. Day every school year. "Observed each year on the third Monday in January as "a day on, not a day off," Martin Luther King Jr. Day is the only federal holiday designated

as a national day of service to encourage all Americans to volunteer to improve their communities." (nationalservice.gov)

As part of our annual Martin Luther King Jr. Service Day on January 20, we are looking to collect snack items to make snack bags for senior citizens and children in various homes and shelters in the St. Louis area, like Epworth Children & Family Services.

Can you help contribute to our snack collection for our day of service? Please look at your child's grade level for items to send to school.

Kindergarten- juice boxes or fruit snacks
First Grade- small snack bags pretzels/chips
Second Grade- granola bars/cereal bars
Third Grade- mini cereal boxes
Fourth Grade- sandwich crackers (no peanut butter please)

We appreciate your help and support in making this Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service a success! Please mark your calendars and plan to join us at Old Bonhomme at 9:00 a.m. in the cafeteria. We will need help assembling snack bags and other gifts. If you can plan to go to one of our senior citizen centers following the assembling, that would be great! More information about that will be coming soon.

We appreciate your donation of snacks! The snacks will be collected from January 6 through 17.

December

20 End of Quarter 2

Winter Parties, 10-11 a.m.

Early Dismissal, 1:15 p.m.

23-Jan. 3 NO SCHOOL,

Winter Break

January

6 School Resumes

PTO Meeting, 7-8:30 p.m.

8 Walk in the Park (during PE)

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PTO NEWS

Winter Classroom Parties: TODAY, Friday, December 20, from 10-11 a.m.

Parents and guardians are welcome to attend their child's winter classroom party (**no siblings, please**). Please park at Stacy Park and be sure to sign in and out at the front office when you arrive, doors will open at 9:50 a.m. for room parents for party set-up. Due to allergy considerations, please do not bring any food or treats unless they have been approved by the school nurse, in collaboration with the room parents. Reminder: **This is an early release day, students will dismiss at 1:15 p.m.**

Sign up to host a table at Passport Night

Passport Night will take place on **February 7**, and is a beautiful celebration of our diverse community. Would you like to volunteer to host a table at Passport night to show off your country's traditions, music, dance, dress or art? We also need volunteers to help set-up. Please sign up online at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c49aead29a6fd0-passport or turn in the paper form which will be available in the school office. Please sign up by **Wednesday**, **December 18**. For questions, please contact Stephanie Afful at settle2afful@hotmail.com or (314) 276-9467.

Save the Date: OB Adult Social on February 22, at Fallons.

Mark your calendars for our Old Bonhomme Adult Social taking place on February 22, from 6-9 p.m. at Fallons on Olive. Enjoy a night out to build community and get to know other parents and teachers from Old Bonhomme! More details coming soon...

OBPTO Meeting on Monday, January 6, from 7-8:30 p.m. in the OB Library

All are welcome to attend the monthly meetings of the OBPTO. Agendas and minutes from previous meetings can be found at obpto.squarespace.com.

Thank you!

Thank you to all of the families who contributed to our holiday gift fund for our Old Bonhomme support staff and specialists! Thank you to Bridget O'Neal for coordinating this effort.

Last Minute Shopping??? Use Amazon Smile and support the OBPTO

Buy your gifts through Amazon Smile and support the OBPTO. Designate the OBPTO as your charity of choice and every time you buy something from Amazon Smile, .05% of sales will be donated to OBPTO. It is simple and easy!

Go to https://smile.amazon.com/ch/20-4310750 to get started today.

The Old Bonhomme Parent and Teacher Organization wishes all of our OB students, teachers, staff and families a safe, fun, and happy winter break! We'll see you in 2020!